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Students bag cash awards

Seen in the picture are** (from left) **P. Vibha, C.R. Rachana, HoD of MCA, Noor Firdose, Dr. C.K. Renukarya, Director, Mahajana PG Centre, Dr. G. Nagalingappa, HoD of MBA and B.L. Amulya.

Mysuru, Apr. 14 (KS)- The students of Pooja Bhagavat Mahajana Post Graduate Centre on KRS Road in Metagalli here have received the 2017-18 cash awards of endowment funds for bagging various places in MBA and MCA exams. They are: P. Vibha, who bagged first place in MBA - Sukruth Memorial Endowment Cash Award instituted by V. Ramanna; B.L. Amulya, second place in MBA - Sukruth Memorial Endowment Cash Award instituted by V. Ramanna; N.R. Kannika, third place in MBA - Sukruth Memorial Endowment Cash Award instituted by V. Ramanna and Noor Firdose, first place in MCA - S.R. Aprameya Memorial Award for a Girl Child.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

A RICH PEOPLE'S CLUB IS GOVERNING A LARGELY POOR COUNTRY:

It is an interesting facet of a changing India: there are ever greater numbers of crorepatis in the Lok Sabha, as well as among those who aspire to become MPs. According to the Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR), 430 out of the 521 sitting MPs in the Lok Sabha have assets worth more than Rs.1 crore. In other words, 83% of our law-makers are crorepatis. That makes them a rich people's club governing a largely poor country.

During the License Raj, politicians were content accepting donations from businessmen or seeking jobs for their kin. But business and politics never intersected with each other.

Liberalisation altered India's economic present and future. The nouveau riche saw politics and political power as a means to first secure and then expand their business interests. It is a truism that business and politics share a symbiotic relationship. Today, they have almost become one, necessitating a new definition of businessman-politician or politician-businessman. The hyphenation is not semantic or syntactical, but reflects the emergence of a new class.

— Satya Naagesh Ayyagary in The Hindu.

NEWS SPARKLERS

Chinese hire others to eat on their behalf

Bejing: If you love eating and drinking for free and are looking to make some pocket change, there's an online service that allows people to hire others to eat or drink their favorite treats, either to cure their boredom or satisfy their craving without the calories that usually come with it. People can now go online and hire others to consume certain foods and drinks, and ask them to provide video evidence of them eating or drinking the said treats. Fees usually range between 2 yuan ($0.30) and 9 yuan ($1.35) plus the cost of the food that the client wants consumed. It's not exactly a get-rich quick kind of job, but there are quite a lot of people willing to do it for the free treats alone.

"Bubble tea drinking" is a particularly popular service, as the chewy tapioca balls and popping boba-containing drink is all the rage in Asia these days, but there are also ads from people willing to eat fried chicken or hotpot for anyone willing to pay for them.

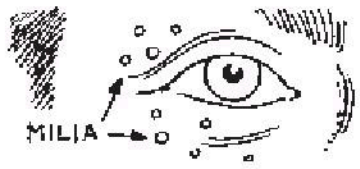
Man fakes inability to walk to collect disability pension

Rome: An Italian man who tried to convince everyone that he had lost the ability to walk after being involved in an accident 12 years ago just to collect disability pension was recently exposed as a fraud. Roberto Guglielmi, a con artist managed to fool everyone, including doctors, neighbors and even the Pope, to collect the pension offered by the government. With the help of a false medical document, Guglielmi was able to become a paraplegic.

Gugliemi's intricate scam finally came crushing down on him last week, after returning from a vacation in Togo. After capturing footage of Roberto Guglielmi walking on his own two legs, Police finally arrested him at Firenze airport. He was caught walking down the airplane stairs on his own legs.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What is a Milium?



A Milium is a small white bump on the skin, similar in appearance to a Whitehead. Milia (plural) are caused by clogged eccrine ducts (sweat glands). Milia (also called milk spots) are often found around the nose and eyes but may appear elsewhere, even on the genitalia. They can be removed by a dermatologist.

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Voters awareness at RUDSETI

Mysuru, Apr.14- RUDSET Institute, Mysuru, conducted a voter awareness programme under Systematic Voters Education & Electoral Participation (SVEEP) of Election Commission of India at its premises in association with Karnataka Women's Development Corporation, Mysuru unit.

During the programme, the officials of the Corporation and the Director of the Institute, N.G. Lakshman Rao enlightened the participants about the importance of exercising franchise by all responsible citizens to strengthen the country's democratic system.

An oath on following ethical practices in exercising franchise was also administered to the participants.

The programme was attended by 86 women trainees undergoing three different training programmes at the Institute apart from the guest faculties and the staff members of RUDSET Institute, Mysuru.

Skill training for youths

Mysuru, Apr.14- RUDSET Institute, Mysuru, will conduct the following skill training programmes at the Institute premises shortly: Farm Mechanisation Equipment Servicing and Repairs (30 days); Cell Phone Servicing and Repairs (30 days); Two-Wheeler Mechanic (30 days).

The training will be free of cost with free boarding and lodging facilities. The trainings are compulsorily residential in nature. Youth in the age group of 18 to 45 years who are the permanent residents of Mysuru, Chamarajanagar and Mandya districts need only apply. Aadhaar card is compulsory with the application. They can also send their application with Aadhaar card via e-mail to: *mysururudseti@aol.com* or to the Director, RUDSET Institute, Main Road, Hinkal, Mysuru - 570 030 or contact Ph: 0821- 2519663 or Mob: 90080123351.

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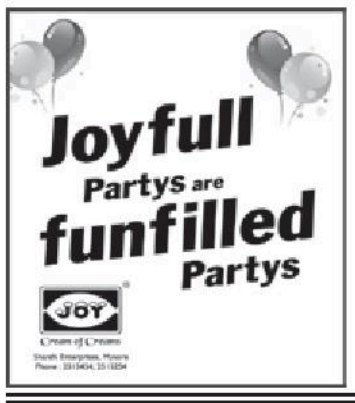

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GTD, Siddu join hands in Chamundeshwari

Mysuru, Apr. 14 (RKB,DM& BCT)- JD(S) leader and District Minister G.T. Devegowda (GTD) and former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah let bygones be bygones and held a joint public rally at Chamundeshwari Assembly segment in Mysuru this morning to canvass for coalition candidate for Mysuru-Kodagu Parliamentary seat C.H. Vijayashankar.

It is their first joint public meeting after the former CM was handed a crushing defeat by GTD in Chamundeshwari in the Assembly elections in May 2018. The leaders came face-to-face today and shook hands to bury the past and forget the bitterly fought Assembly elections in the larger interest of keeping the BJP from returning to power.

Today's public meeting was to present a united face to its Opposition and appealed to its warring workers to set aside their differences and work with each other for the Lok Sabha elections just four days away.

Mysuru District in-charge Minister G.T. Devegowda and former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah at a joint campaign rally in Chamundeshwari Constituency this morning.

The Congress and JD(S) are scrambling to pacify its disgruntled workers who have publicly come out to express their unwillingness to work with each other.

Addressing the gathering, GTD said that both he and Siddharamaiah entered politics together in 1983 and since then were together until they separated in 2005 when Siddharamaiah joined the Congress and he stayed in the JD(S).

GTD said that he was happy that they have come together again after gap of 14 years, with the Congress-JD(S) entering into a poll pact to keep the BJP out of power. Pointing out that Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy has continued with the welfare schemes initiated by the previous Siddharamaiah Government, he said that Kumaraswamy has kept his promise of farm loan waiver.

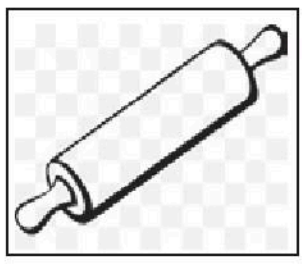
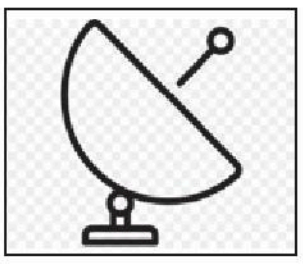
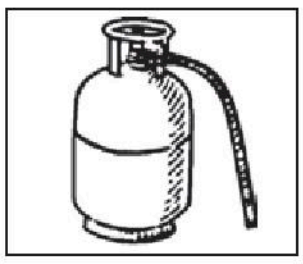
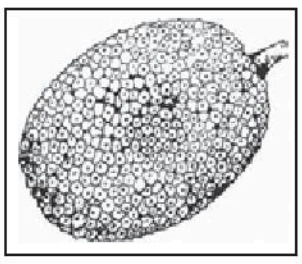
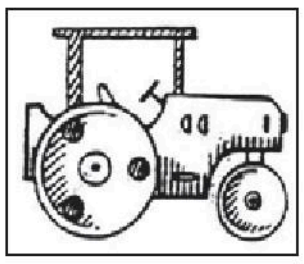
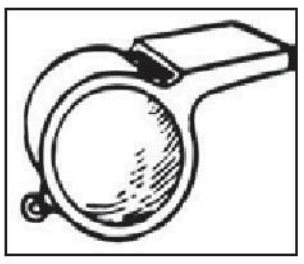
He exhorted the workers of both the parties to campaign unitedly and thus ensure that coalition candidate C.H. Vijayashankar gets the highest number of votes from Chamundeshwari. Siddharamaiah, in his address, lashed out at the BJP and wondered what had happened to the bricks and money collected by the BJP for construction of Ram Temple in Ayodhya.

Recalling fond memories of his political journey with GTD, Siddharamaiah said that though GTD defeated him, he had no ill-will towards him and today was a special moment as they were addressing a public gathering for the first time after a gap of 14 years.

(See SIDDU on page 14)

The curious case of election symbols

From road roller to chapathi roller, gas cylinder to CCTV camera and from chappals to jackfruits we have it all

Mysuru, Apr. 14 (MTY&BCT)- Every election season ushers in a slew of party symbols that range from the mundane to the outlandish — an autorickshaw, road roller, jackfruit, CCTV camera, chapathi roller, whistle, a dish antenna and even chappals.

These are some of the selections by Independent candidates who are contesting the forthcoming Lok Sabha elections. The Election Commission has allotted the symbols based on the list given by the candidates. While some of the symbols can easily be identified by voters as they are part of their mundane life, some are unique like one Independent candidate has got chappals. Who can forget the symbol of a *jhaadu,* or broom, floated by Aam Aadmi Party?

An election symbol is a foolproof way for voters to identify their candidates while maintaining a secret ballot. While National parties and State parties have been allotted permanent symbols by the Election Commission, registered parties and Independent candidates too have to have symbols.

According to the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968, symbols are of two types — either reserved or free. A reserved symbol is a symbol meant for a recognised political party for allotment to candidates set up by that party. A free symbol, on the other hand, is a symbol other than reserved for national and State parties.

Across India, 198 symbols have been approved by the Election Commission that range from a wide variety of items. Interestingly, a large number of candidates have preferred items like sewing machines, fans, pressure cooker in the hope that these symbols will resonate with their voters. This is also a tactic to woo women voters who are in large numbers. Even in last Parliamentary elections in Karnataka, people opted for tumbler, bread toaster, pressure cooker, bucket and chapathi roller. Some of the other popular symbols are sofas, almirahs, letter boxes, and gas cylinder.

(See SYMBOLS on page 14)

NEWS BRIEFS

Sauramana Ugadi celebrations

Tulu Shivalli Madhwa Brahmana Mahamandali, Mysuru Branch, has organised the following programmes at Sri Krishnadhama, Saraswathipuram, as part of Sauramana Ugadi celebrations on Apr. 15: Sri Satyanarayana Puja and Prasadam Distribution at 4 pm; Prize distribution to the winners of Talent Hunt contest at 5 pm; Ugadi Fest Cultural Programme at 5.30 pm.

Free coaching

Jnanabuthi is offering free coaching for candidates taking up competitive examination for the selection of Graduate Primary School Teacher to be held in May. Those interested can register their names at Jnanabuthi office in the premises of Lakshmipuram Government High School and Junior College between 5 pm and 7.30 pm before Apr. 20. For details, call Mob: 94481-17455.

Training at GTTC

Government Tool Room and Training Centre (GTTC) on KRS Road is offering free training in turning, milling, grinding and tool room machining trades for unemployed SC/ST people in the age group of 16 to 35 years who have passed SSLC. For details, call Ph: 0821-2582750, Mob: 91416-30315,/99454-42654.

Ramanavami

City's Yashaswini Mahila Sangha, the women's wing of Babbur Kamme Sangha, will be celebrating Ramanavami at the Sangha Premises on Sahukar Channaiah Road, Saraswathipuram, at 11.30 am on Apr. 17. The Sangha members are appealed to participate in the celebration, according to a release. For details, call Mob: 97412-11652.

Mass Upanayana

City's Prachodayath Viprasangha (Vidyaranyapuram-Vishweswaranagar), will be holding a mass Upanayana for Trimathastha Brahmin Community boys at Avani Sringeri Sharadapeetham, 4th main, 9th cross, Vidyaranyapuram on May 9 (Shankara Jayanti). Interested Trimathastha Brahmin boys can register at Maharshi Educational Institutions Office, J.P. Nagar road, between 10 am and 1 pm or at the Sharadapeetham office in Vidyaranyapuram between 6 pm and 8 pm. The last date for registration is Apr. 15. For details, call Mob: 97413-12562/94480-63766.

Office Shifted

The office of the Child Development Project Officer hitherto functioning in T.K. Layout has been shifted to the premises of Sthree Shakti Bhavan, Krishnadevaraya Circle, Vijayanagar 2nd stage.

PM Modi, AICC President Rahul Gandhi on a rally spree in State

Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressing a rally at Mangaluru while AICC President Rahul Gandhi addressing a rally at K.R. Nagar yesterday.

Bengaluru, Apr.14- With Lok Sabha elections for 14 out of the 28 LS seats in the State just 4 days away, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and AICC President Rahul Gandhi held back-to-back rallies in the State and traded charges against each other.

While Rahul Gandhi addressed rallies in Kolar, Chitradurga and K.R. Nagar, Modi addressed rallies in Mangaluru and Bengaluru.

Addressing a BJP rally at Bengaluru, Modi launched a blistering attack on the Congress-JD(S) coalition Government in Karnataka.

Questioning the ruling partners for protesting against the series of Income-Tax raids, Modi sought to know what they had to fear if they were law abiding.

Pointing out that people who did not commit any mistake had nothing to fear, Modi said "why fear if you haven't committed any theft?"

Taking a jibe at the 'dynastic politics' of the Congress and JD(S), the PM said while his party was for "Antyodaya" (upliftment of the poor), the Congress, JD(S) and Mahagathbandhan leaders were for 'Vamshodaya.'

Tearing down into the State's coalition Government, Modi said that his Antyodaya politics was directed at the betterment of the Country and the last man in society, while 'Vamshodaya' of the Opposition parties was for pursuing corrupt and dynastic politics.

Earlier, speaking at a rally in Mangaluru, Modi charged the previous UPA Government of putting the banking sector on a ventilator.

Maintaining that the loans given by the UPA Government between 2004 and 2014 were double that of those disbursed between 1947 and 2004, Modi said the Congress had mined the banking sector.

Emphasizing on the need to end 'Mahamilavat' (Adulterated) culture of Congress, he called upon the people to vote for the BJP.

Asserting that the BJP would provide a 'Mazboot' (Strong) Government, as against the 'Majboor' (helpless) Government that the Congress and its allies would provide, Modi said the 21st century is punishing the Congress for its maladministration and loot.

"India's image has improved in foreign countries, not because of Modi, but because of your vote," he said and appealed the gathering to come out in huge numbers and vote for BJP candidates.

Rahul's rally in K.R. Nagar

AICC President Rahul Gandhi said on Saturday said that while people lost jobs and incurred losses due to the wrong policies of the NDA Government headed by PM Modi, like demonetisation and GST, the Congress party's proposed Nyuntam Aay Yojana (NYAY), a minimum income guarantee scheme, will give justice to the affected.

Addressing a joint poll rally at the Krishnaraja College Grounds in K.R. Nagar, Mysuru district yesterday, Rahul Gandhi taunted PM Modi saying that there were 22 lakh jobs lying vacant in the Government and public sector and the Congress would fill up the posts in one year if voted to power.

Maintaining that NYAY is intended to eradicate poverty, Gandhi said it will provide jobs to the youth and steps will be taken to create an additional 10 lakh jobs in the Panchayat Raj System if the Congress was elected to power.

Upping his ante against Modi, Rahul said the 'Chowkidar is a chor' and the 'Chowkidar' had been sulking ever since the Congress announced its 'NYAY' scheme, which is going to be a surgical strike on poverty.

Pointing out that the Congress will present a separate agriculture budget if voted to power, Rahul alleged that the 'Chowkidar' (PM Modi) has given his thieving friends crores of money.

He further alleged that 'Modi's friends' were stealing money from the pockets of farmers and small businessmen.

JD(S) supremo and former PM H.D. Deve Gowda, in his address, maintained that the 'charisma' of the coalition government would remain only if the coalition candidates win in at least 20 out of the 28 LS seats in the State and the workers of both the parties must realise this.

Alleging that PM Modi was out to destroy the Country's economy, Deve Gowda maintained that the Constitution would be under threat if Modi is re-elected.

Claiming that he and CLP leader Siddharamaiah had come together for the sake of maintaining the Country's secular credentials and to keep the communal BJP at bay, the JD(S) supremo appealed the workers of both the parties to carry out an united campaign and ensure maximum seats for coalition partners in the LS polls.

The rally held in favour of JD(S)-Congress candidates of Mysuru region, was aimed at sending a message to the workers of the coalition partners to work unitedly for the victory of alliance candidates.

Even though part of Mysuru District, K.R. Nagar comes under Mandya LS Constituency, it is strategically located and is the meeting point of Mysuru, Hassan and Mandya districts. The rally is expected to give a boost to the workers of both the Congress and JD(S).

CLP leader and former CM Siddharamaiah, CM H.D. Kumaraswamy, Water Resources Minister D.K. Shivakumar, Congress Parliamentary party leader Mallikarjun Kharge and KPCC President Dinesh Gundu Rao too addressed the rally.

Hassan JD(S) candidate Prajwal Revanna, Ministers G.T. Devegowda, S.R. Mahesh and C.S. Puttaraju, former Minister H.K. Patil and Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, MLAs Anil Chikkamadu and K. Mahadev, MLC Dharmasena and other top leaders from both the parties were present.

A huge gathering at the Congress-JD(S) joint rally addressed by Rahul Gandhi at K.R. Nagar yesterday.

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Interview with Chakravarthi Sulibele

'Modi Model must continue for a Powerful India'

He is an orator, social activist and a writer. He is known for his activities with the youth and is the founder of 'Yuva Brigade' and Head of 'Team Modi Brigade' in Karnataka. Apart from conducting rallies, meetings and delivering speeches highlighting the achievements of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, he sensitises youth on the need of a strong leader like Modi. *Star of Mysore* caught up with Chakravarthi Sulibele at an apartment in Vontikoppal, Mysuru where he stayed before addressing a public meeting in Hebbal. *Excerpts*

By Ramesh Kebbehundi

Star of Mysore: Tell us about your extensive tour programmes.

Chakravarthi Sulibele: 'NaMo Brigade' was renamed and re-launched as 'Team Modi Brigade' to provide wide publicity to PM Modi's programmes, policies and initiatives. Team Modi became aggressive after BJP suffered a jolt in the elections held in five State Assemblies.

Team Modi started its activities since Jan. 26 this year in Karnataka and there are more than 10,000 volunteers. Of them, 2,000 are active volunteers. We have visited many places across 28 Parliamentary constituencies and conducted more than 150 public programmes and bike rallies highlighting the necessity of Narendra Modi's leadership with an ultimate aim of making him PM for the second term.

SOM: Opposition leaders have accused that Modi wave is a media creation. Your reaction.

Chakravarthi Sulibele: It is evident that Modi maintained a distance from 'biased' media ever since he was elected as Prime Minister. He kept the media at bay due to various reasons but maintained a close connection with people through 'Mann Ki Baat' and he has given many interviews too. Now a stage is reached where his works have spoken more than words. And the Opposition cannot digest this and you can see that all the corrupt, tainted and political family fiefdoms have come together with a sole purpose of defeating Modi.

SOM: Why are you clamouring for Modi's leadership?

Chakravarthi Sulibele: Today, India needs a strong leadership which only Modi can provide. The country is surrounded by hostile neighbours and India has been a victim of terrorism, aided by Pakistan. During the last five years, the country has emerged as a world power and it is the popular demand that the momentum of development must continue by repeating the government at the Centre. The Modi Model must continue for a powerful India.

Modi has emerged as one of the greatest leaders of the world today. The initiatives launched by him like 'Jan Dhan Yojana', 'Make in India', 'Smart City Mission', Demonetisation, GST roll out, and 'Digital India', 'Swachh Bharat', etc. are having a visible impact. Moreover, he has given corruption-free and scandal-free governance unlike the scam-ridden UPA government of 10 years. Modi makes all Indians proud of their country and no leader in India so far has been as inspiring as Modi. India needs a 'nationalist' leader like Modi.

SOM: Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan tweeted that BJP's return to power under the leadership of Modi could solve Kashmir issue. Your views.

Chakravarthi Sulibele: Pakistan PM's statement is to confuse the voters at a time when our nation is choosing its leader. Imran Khan might be under pressure from Congress leaders as many of them have given pro-Pakistan statements after our Armed Forces destroyed terror camps in Pakistan twice. The statements of Opposition leaders were a clear advantage to Pakistan and may be Imran Khan is trying to project Modi as pro-Pak leader to dent his popularity. But Indians know the game plan.

SOM: How many seats will BJP win in Karnataka this election?

Chakravarthi Sulibele: According to my observation, the party will win about 16 to 20 seats. I have observed that BJP candidates have been banking a lot on 'Modi wave'. They have to make a little more efforts and must sweat it out for votes by conducting road shows, padayatras, and door-to-door campaigns instead of just relying only on Modi's popularity. Lack of coordination between coalition partners JD(S) and Congress in Mandya, Mysuru, Hassan and Tumakuru will prove a boon to BJP.

SOM: The Supreme Court verdict on re-examining the secret documents on Rafale deal is projected as a set back to Modi. Will it affect the BJP?

Chakravarthi Sulibele: No it will not have any impact on election results as the Court has not given a final verdict. Modi will come clean on this allegation that is a creation by Congress and its President who are hell bent on maligning Modi's image to cover up their own corrupt dealings. Moreover, Modi has provided a clean government and this is giving sleepless nights to the Opposition.

SOM: Your comments on Modi versus Mahagatbandhan.

Chakravarthi Sulibele: In 2014, Modi had swept the Hindi heartland and he was helped by anti-incumbency factor against the Congress that was widely seen as corrupt and incompetent. More importantly, Modi promised good governance and a dynamic economy and he became successful too. Except for the Opposition, anti-nationals, pseudo-secularists and educated cynics who are obsessed with criticising Modi even if he does good work, the masses love Modi and want him to be the PM again.

Election 2019 is, in many ways, quite uncomplicated. There's a clear central political force in Narendra Modi around whom the battle lines have been drawn. Bitter enemies have set their differences aside to fight him.

There's no doubt that Modi has all chances of winning this elections too with his good governance and nation-building works, oratory skills and by having an understanding with many regional parties. Modi has the blessings of first-time voters. Congress has already accepted defeat before the elections by fielding its candidates in 250 constituencies while the BJP has fielded more than 400 candidates.

SOM: Will Balakot bombing and Surgical Strikes help BJP?

Chakravarthi Sulibele: Yes, such bold decisions by Modi have really helped the party in boosting its image and morale of party workers. Though it was Armed Forces that undertook such strikes, it was Modi who provided the decisive leadership. The UPA government went soft on terror and despite the Forces asking for permission to strike Pakistan, the then PM did not give them permission as he was indecisive. Now with Modi's leadership, we have proved that India is a formidable space power too — a rare distinction.

Modi has proved that he is a strong leader who can take tough decisions to protect the country from external threat and is ready to retaliate when the nation's security is under threat.

SOM: Do you have any intentions of contesting elections?

Chakravarthi Sulibele: Though I have received many chances of contesting elections, I have already clarified that I don't have such ambitions. Inspired by teachings of Swami Vivekananda and Ramakrishna Paramahamsa, I have always been involved in instilling the spirit of nationalism among youth. I will continue to sensitise the youth through speeches and writings to make India a powerful country.

VOICE OF THE READER

Brigadier K.M. Cariappa and Cricketer Denis Compton: An anecdote

K.M.Cariappa

Denis Compton

Sir,

In the current *Reader's Digest* [April] there is an interesting article on Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa, who was known to be a strict disciplinarian and I have heard of one the anecdotes that illustrates this.

During my school days in Bangalore in the early 1940s, my father told me of an incident involving the then Brigadier Cariappa and England's Double International (Football and Cricket) Denis Compton.

During the Second World War (1939 to 1945), Denis Compton was stationed with the British Army at Mhow. Somewhere during that period Compton visited Bangalore with an Army Cricket Team. Brigadier Cariappa, the seniormost Army Officer then in Bangalore, had arranged a cricket match between the Army Team and what was perhaps a Mysore State Team.

Because of Compton's reputation as a star English batsman, guests including school children had been invited to watch the match. My father, Dr. V. Subrahmanyan, who was then Professor of Biochemistry at the Indian Institute of Science, was one of the invitees. Unfortunately for the spectators and the Army Team, Denis Compton was dismissed cheaply, very early in the match.

In sheer disgust, Compton flung his bat away and started to walk back towards the tents where the players and the guests were assembled. But he had reckoned without Brigadier Cariappa who would have none of this.

The Brigadier was on his feet in seconds and stopped the boy who was running to retrieve Compton's bat. Then, in his best Parade Ground voice he shouted at Compton "What do you think you are doing? Go and pick up your bat." Compton stopped in his tracks, took one look at the tall gaunt figure and meekly went back to do the needful.

I do not know if Denis Compton played again in Bangalore. The Army did allow him to play for the Holkar Ranji Trophy Team in 1945. In the Finals against Bombay, Compton scored a brilliant 249 not out. But Holkar lost because this innings was overshadowed by Vijay Merchant's 279 not out in the same match.

—S. Sundaram

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Brahmopadesha

Mysuru, Apr. 14- Brahmana Dharma Sahaya Sabha, Mysuru has organised a free Brahmopadesha for Trimatastha Brahmin learners on May 9 at Kalyanabhavana, Thyagaraja Road, K.R. Mohalla in city. Those interested Trimatastha Brahman learners can register by Apr. 30 (Tuesday). For details, call Ph: 0821-2446498, according to a press release.

'Chinnara Mela-2019' off to a colourful start

Mysuru, Apr. 14 (SPN&US)- 'Chinnara Mela-2019', the popular summer camp for children organised by Rangayana took off last evening at Vanaranga in Kalamandira premises with renowned artiste Ramachandra Hadapad administering the 'Rangasangeetha Deekshe' to children chanting 'Kayo Sri Gowri' composed by Jayachamaraja Wadiyar, 'Karunalu baa belake' by B.M. Sri and 'Lola lotte' by Saint Purandaradasa.

Assamese movie director Barul Islam and other dignitaries participated. Barul Islam opined that children participating in theatre activities would groom their wisdom to become responsible citizens in future, if not as good artistes. He added that significant changes could be seen in such children's social awareness and thinking capacity.

Rangayana Director Bhagrathibai Kadam said that a person can present music or dance solo but a play needs more persons and claimed 'Chinnara Mela' as a unique platform for children to exhibit talent. She said that the 26-day event would provide ample opportunities for children to learn and perform.

Over 450 children in the age group of 7 to 14 years are participating in the event who have been distributed to 9 groups with catchy names like 'Sarala jeevana', 'Samaya pragne', 'Kalaji', 'Dhrusti', 'Vishwasa', 'Antharmukhi', 'Anuraga', 'Parivarthana', 'Sneha' and 'Sweekara'.

Artistes presented a cultural and folk programme.

Joint Secretary of Rangayana Mallikarjuna Swamy was present on the occasion.

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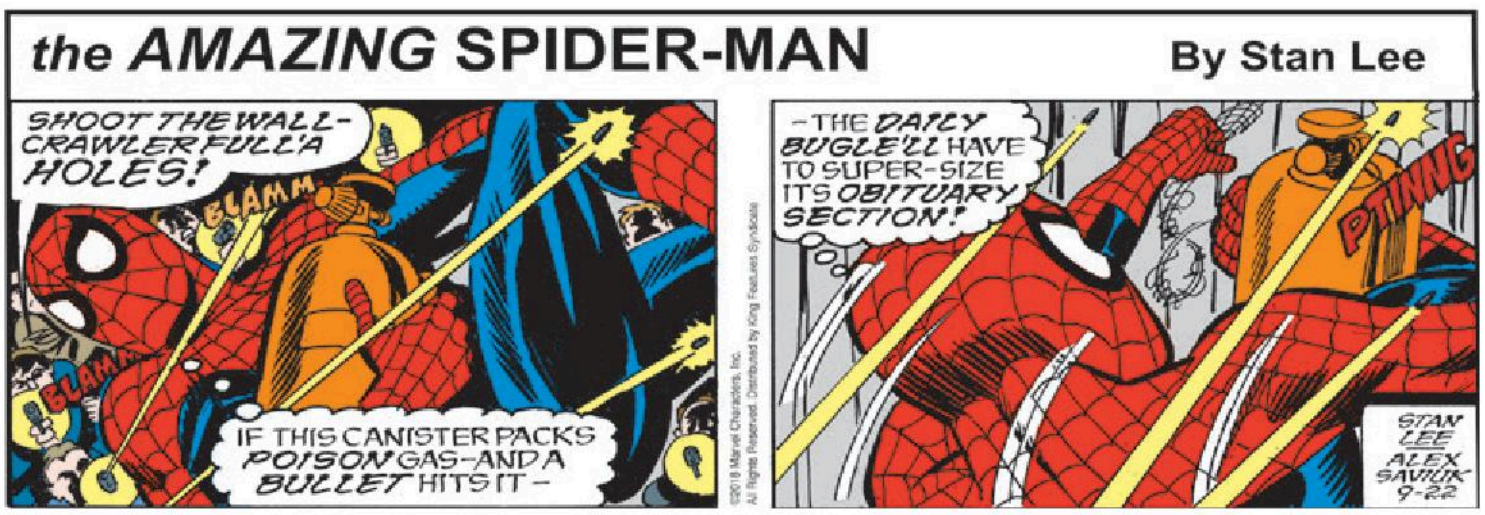
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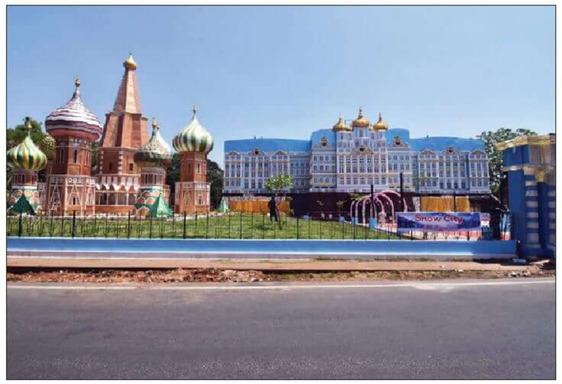
City's first 'Snow City Theme Park' opens



An outside view of 'Snow City Theme Park' near Mysuru Zoo in Nazarbad. Picture right shows Pramoda Devi Wadiyar inaugurating the 'Snow City' this morning.

Mysuru, Apr.14 (MTY&BCT)- You need not go to Himachal Pradesh or Jammu & Kashmir to experience snow fall as you can literally chill and freeze at your backyard. Yes. The city's first "Snow City Theme Park" was inaugurated this morning by member of erstwhile Mysuru royal family Pramoda Devi Wadiyar.

The Snow City has come up in Nazarbad at Regency Theatre on Lokranjan Mahal Road near Mysuru Zoo that has been converted to hold the new set up. The Regency Theatre has been completely refurbished and the whole structure resembles like Kremlin, a fortified complex at the heart of Moscow, the capital of Russia overlooking the Moskva River.

The land of Regency Theatre is owned by the erstwhile royal family of Mysuru and the promoters of Snow City has come to an understanding with the royal family to set up the new facility.

During today's inauguration, for the first time, the temperature hit a low of minus six degrees while the temperatures at similar snow cities are usually maintained at minus four to five degrees.

A demonstration of the interiors of Snow City was given to media persons this morning following the inaugural.

The Snow City will offer an experience in snow balling, mountain climbing, snow jumping, sliding, sledging, dancing, snow skiing and snow sliding along with DJ music in an area of 10,000 square feet. There is a selfie spot and a waterfall at the entrance.

Trained personnel will keep a watch on gamers and those using skiing machines and rescuers will be stationed at the venue. All the players will be provided boots, helmets, thermals, caps, gloves and jackets as the temperature will be below freezing. There is a drying area where gamers can dry their clothes.

Other attractions at the Snow City include Snow Disc, Ice Sliding, Snowball Throwing, Snow Bike, Snow Mountaineering, Ice House and Snow Hotel.

For Mysureans, Rs.250 per head will be charged for a 45-minute session on working days inside the facility and on weekends, it will be Rs.300 per head. For tourists, Rs.300 will be charged on normal days and during weekends they have to pay Rs.350.

Parking charges will be extra and cameras and mobile phones are not allowed inside. Visitors have to leave their valuables inside lockers and there will be an in-house cameraman who will supply photos on demand for a fee. There will be nine sessions per day from 10.15 am till 8 pm.

"Snow City Theme Park" partners Vinod Sabharwal, Sunny Sabharwal, Aravind Doshi, Yashwanth Jain and others were present.

Special lecture delivered on thoughts of Ambedkar

Mysuru, Apr.14 (PM&US)- Marking the 128th birth anniversary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, SC/ST Special Unit of University of Mysore (UoM) and Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Research and Extension Centre had organised a special lecture on "Ambedkar's thoughts and responsibility of researchers" at Rani Bahadur auditorium in Manasagangotri here this morning.

Inaugurating the programme, writer Prof. G.S. Jayadeva opined that Ambedkar's thoughts were full of clarity and inspiring for all. He said that inequality is a social evil for which Ambedkar always fought.

He wondered the idea behind PM Narendra Modi washing the feet of a civic worker which could be a publicity gimmick or meaningful. He further said that Ambedkar had an emotional contact with Dalits which was true from the heart.

Kannada Professor of Bangalore University Prof. Rajappa Dalavai delivered the special lecture.

UoM Registrar Prof. Lingaraj Gandhi presided. Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. K.M. Mahadevan was the chief guest.

SC/ST Unit Dy. Registrar Dr. S. Mahadevamurthy, Centre Co-ordinator Dr. S. Narendrakumar and others were present.

Truck collides with bus

Mysuru, Apr.14 (YDS&KS)- A container lorry collided with a KSRTC bus at Devegowda Circle on Bannur Ring Road on Friday, resulting in damage to the bus.

On Friday afternoon, the KSRTC bus was proceeding to Malavalli from Mysuru and when it reached Devegowda Circle, the container lorry coming from Columbia Asia Hospital side, collided with the bus. Luckily, no one was injured in the mishap.

A complaint has been lodged at Siddarthanagar Traffic Police Station in this regard.

Dr. Ambedkar Jayanti in city

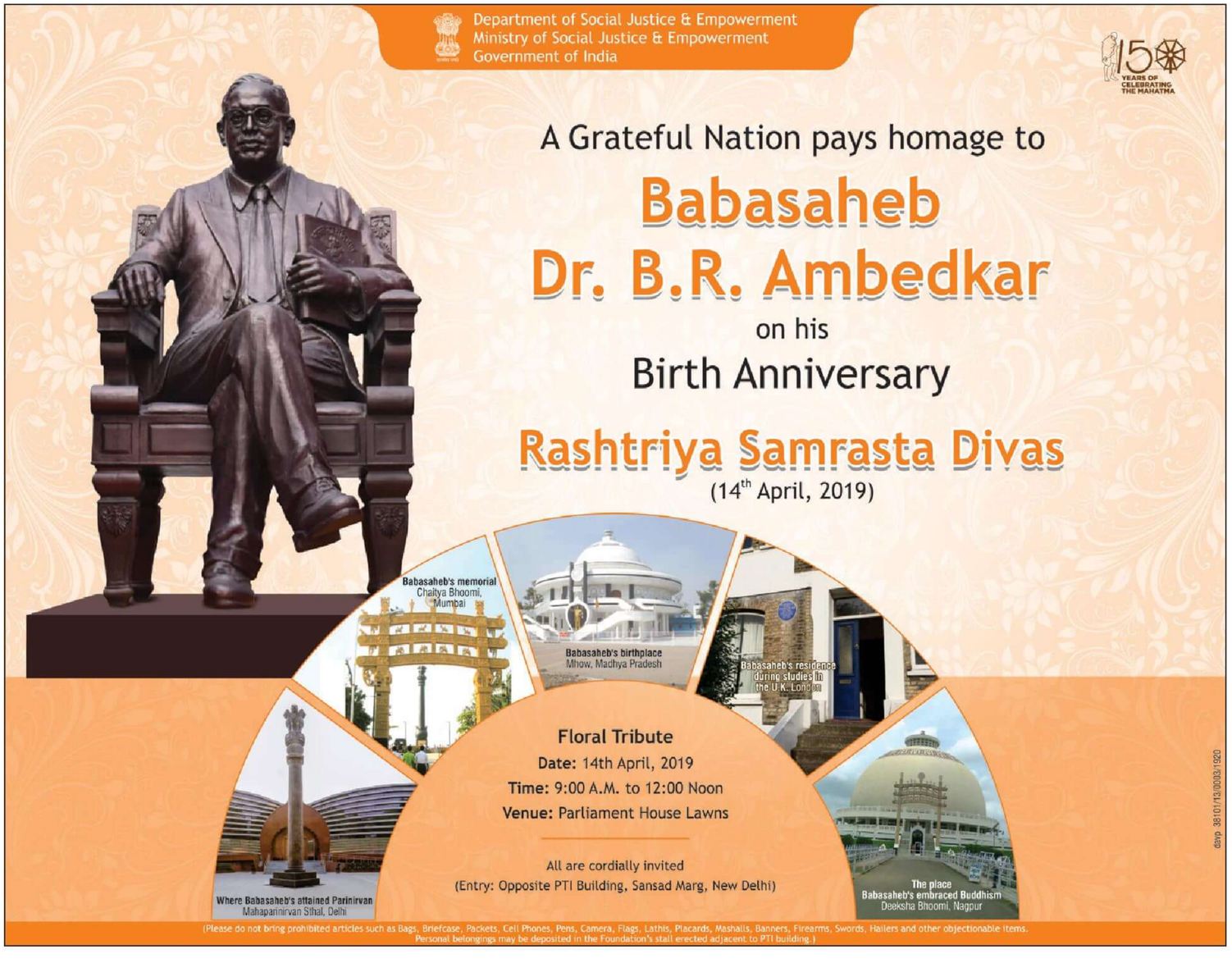
Mysuru, Apr.14- Garlanding of statue of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in the Town Hall premises marked Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Jayanti celebrations in city this morning.

Deputy Commissioner (DC) Abhiram G. Sankar garlanded Dr. Ambedkar's statue at a programme organised by the District Administration, in which Zilla Panchayat (ZP) CEO K. Jyothi, City Police Commissioner K.T. Balakrishna, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Commissioner Shilpa Nag and other officials were present.

The Karnataka English Band, led by Band Master B. Manjunath, played music as a mark of tribute to the 'Father of the Constitution.'

Later, MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah, former Mayor Purushottam, MLC Marithibbegowda, Minister Sathish Jarkiholi, District Minister G.T. Devegowda, former Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevapa, MLA B. Sriramulu, Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath, leaders K.V. Mallesh, SBM Manju, Kagalawadi Shivanna and a host of other political leaders, members of Associations and organisations garlanded the statue.

Singer Amma Ramachandra presented a musical tribute to the 'Father of the Constitution' by singing songs on Dr. Ambedkar at Town Hall.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Pages from History

By Prof. A.V. Narasimha Murthy
former Head, Department of Ancient History & Archaeology, University of Mysore

Sri Ramachandra
An Ideal Person

The great poet Maharshi Valmiki has immortalised Sri Ramachandra. Actually Maharshi Valmiki asks Narada a question 'Was/is there a human being who is of excellent character, who is capable of heroism, who knows the secret of dharma and a follower of it; one who is grateful to those who have helped in times of need; one who always speaks the truth and nothing but the truth and does such a great person exist in this world?'

The great Maharshi Valmiki knew everything but for the benefit of the common man, Narada narrated the whole story in detail. Narada said, 'You have asked a very good question and I will tell you about that person Sri Ramachandra in detail.' Brahma, the mythological creator asked sage Valmiki to narrate the story of Sri Rama in all details. Thus firm foundations were laid to narrate the story of a person who has become immortal all over the Hindu world.

The present generation may not be aware of the politics that went on about *Ramayana* in general and Sri Rama in particular. It was a time when some people from extreme south had propounded the theory of Dravidians and Aryans. Cultural anthropologists propounded a theory which envisaged that the Dravidians were the original settlers of South India and the Aryans came from outside. Sri Ramachandra was considered an outsider representing Aryan culture and there was an opposition to worship Sri Ramachandra who is an outsider. They even began distorting Valmiki's *Ramayana*. According to them Sri Rama was an ascetic always interested in Vedic sacrifices and neglected his wife. Disturbed by this Sri Rama's devoted wife Sita ran away to Sri Lanka where Ravana was the king who was an attractive hero. Thus *Ramayana* was being distorted to the unimaginable levels.

At that time our first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru brought an Act against distorting our ancient epics like *Ramayana* and *Mahabharata*. Thus the hate campaign was put an end to by this Act. At this juncture it was asked why a person who hated Sri Rama had a name involving Rama. His name was Ramaswamy Naicker. People asked him about his pro-Aryan name Ramaswamy but he gave a clear reply. I am clear in my mind about my concept. Ramaswamy means the master of Rama and I mean Ravana and hence I have not welcomed the Aryan Sri Rama.

The late Karunanidhi went a step further in this direction. A bridge was built over the sea to cross over to Sri Lanka and to wage a war against Ravana. Karunanidhi asked the question in which Engineering College Sri Rama studied the technique of constructing the bridge. At that time the admirers of Karunanidhi thought that they have won a battle but all those persons have been forgotten and thrown into the dustbin of history. Sri Rajaji tried to patch up this hate campaign and arranged a marriage between a Dravidian and an Aryan but nothing worthwhile happened. It was then Rajaji wrote a concise history of *Ramayana* and it was published by **Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB)** and it was priced just Rs. 50 and millions of copies were sold and many editions were published. It was considered the best gift to be given in marriages, *upanayana*, house warming ceremonies etc. Now this is history.

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Avatara of Vishnu

Now let us come back to Sri Rama. He was considered as an avatara of Vishnu himself. As Lord Sri Krishna has put it in vivid terms, avatara of great persons takes place whenever there is a need. When wicked persons become powerful and begin to torment the good people, Lord Krishna has given an assurance that almighty will be born again and again. Such a great concept is hard to find in other philosophies.

The story of *Ramayana* is well-known to be repeated here. Dasharatha had made all arrangements to anoint his eldest son Sri Rama as king of Ayodhya. But Kaikeyi put a hurdle in this plan and Sri Rama had to go to the forest. Ravana carried away Sri Rama's wife and naturally a war took place in which Ravana was killed. This incident has a message to the society that the wife of another person should be treated as your own sister or even mother. Valmiki has given this message through the story of *Ramayana*, which is considered as the first Kavya in Sanskrit and hence Valmiki became the Adikavi (the first poet).

Sri Rama was considered as an ideal person from all standards and hence Dasharatha considered Sri Rama to succeed him. Lakshmana, Bharata and Shatrughna immediately agreed to their father Dasharatha's proposal of announcing Sri Rama as the king of Ayodhya who was born in Ikshvaku race. Lakshmana, Bharata or Shatrughna could have claimed their right too but they did not do so because even the brothers thought that Sri Rama was better than them and in fact the best. This shows the brotherly love and respect for Sri Rama. Hence, people began to say that *Ramo Vigrahavandharmah* meaning Sri Rama is Dharma personified.

Rama believed that dharma is supreme and its status should not be lowered at any cost. That is why the famous dictum *Dharmo rakshati rakshitah* meaning dharma protects those who protect dharma itself. What a noble thought indeed !

In our tradition, there is a *purushartha* consisting of dharma, artha, kama and moksha. Even Kautilya has enumerated such a system. But artha, kama etc., can work only with the support of dharma and without dharma the other qualities become lame and blind. Because of all these noble qualities, Sri Rama has been considered as *Maryadapurushotham* meaning respectable and best human being.

Ramayana became so popular that it has been translated to many languages like Tamil, Telugu, Hindi etc. In Tamil, *Kamba Ramayana* is very famous while in Hindi *Ramacharitamanasa* is well-known. In addition, this work based on different philosophical concepts like *Vasishtha Ramayana* are available. Though approaches are different, the kernel is the same as to extol Sri Rama.

In our own times, Kuvempu has written a work titled *Sri Ramayanadarshanam* and has dedicated this to the famous professor of Taluku family. One should read this portion of dedication and it reflects the respect Kuvempu had towards his guru who was a mine of good qualities and truth.

Dr. Veerappa Moily, a former Chief Minister of Karnataka, has also written a book based on *Ramayana*. Thus hundreds of works have been written based upon this epic.

Ramayana crossed the boundaries of India and reached different parts of the world. In sculpture and architecture, the story of *Ramayana* has been depicted which have been admired all over the world. A French archaeologist by name Pelliot has remarked that even today women weep over the travails of Sri Rama's wife Sita.

Many persons considered *Ramayana* as a literary bunkum created by the Aryans. But Archaeologists like Dr. B. B. Lal visited the places mentioned in *Ramayana* and have found evidences for the existence of Sri Rama. This has proved beyond doubt the truth of Sri Rama as a great human being.

This year *Chandramana Sri Ramanavami* fell on 13th April (Saturday). Usually people worship Sri Rama and Sitamata and invite relatives and friends and share with them different juices, buttermilk and other items. We should enjoy all these items and must also remember the ideal characters for which Sri Rama and Mother Sita stood. Thus we should follow this noble example and pray to Sri Rama and Mother Sita to bless us so that we can follow the noble path shown by them. Let Sri Rama and Sitamata bless us all on this great occasion.

Kohli, AB de Villiers inspire RCB's first win in IPL-2019

Mohali, Apr.14- Virat Kohli and AB de Villiers notched up brilliant half-centuries to inspire Royal Challengers Bangalore's (RCB) first win in Indian Premier League (IPL) - 2019 as they scored 174/2 in 19.2 overs to beat Kings XI Punjab (KXIP) by eight wickets at the Punjab Cricket Association IS Bindra Stadium in Mohali yesterday.

In the chase, Parthiv Patel (19) and Kohli (67) got RCB off to a good start. Following the dismissal of the former, Kohli along with de Villiers (59) forged a key partnership keeping KXIP bowlers at bay to take away the match from the hosts.

Kohli who was looking in great touch fell to a soft-dismissal. From there on, de Villiers was helped on with a cameo of Marcus Stoinis (28 not out) to chase down the target with four balls to spare.

Earlier, Chris Gayle (99 not out) hammered RCB bowlers to help KXIP post 173/4.

Asked to bat, KXIP off to a good start before K.L. Rahul (18) was sent back by Yuzvendra Chahal.

However, Gayle continued the flow of runs as he struck eight boundaries and five hits over the fence.

Mandeep Singh played an important cameo in the end to help KXIP post a competitive total.

AB de Villiers was chosen as the Man of the Match.

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Today's Matches

KKR Vs **CSK**
Eden Gardens, Kolkata, **4 pm**

SRH Vs **DC**
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Tomorrow's Match

MI Vs **RCB**
Wankhede Stadium, Mumbai, **8 pm**

Yesterday's Results

MI 187/5 (20)
lost to
RR 188/6 (19.3)

KXIP 173/4 (20)
lost to
RCB 174/2 (19.2)

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Rajasthan Royals beat Mumbai Indians

Rajasthan Royals (RR) survived a late implosion to beat Mumbai Indians (MI) by 4 wickets and three balls to spare at the IPL match at the Wankhede in Mumbai on Saturday.

Jos Buttler was the star of the show with the bat. The Royals opener plundered 89 runs off 43 balls, picking out an Alzarri Joseph over for special attention. Following Buttler's dismissal, RR lost a few wickets in quick succession and the match sprang back to life in the last three overs.

Jos Buttler

However, Rohit Sharma threw the ball to Hardik Pandya in 20th over despite Jason Behrendorff and Joseph having one over each up their sleeves. Shreyas Gopal finally hit the winning runs with three balls to spare. Put into bat first, MI had scored 187/5 in their 20 overs.

Rohit Sharma (47) and Quinton de Kock (81) were the main run-getters. Hardik Pandya (28*) also came up with a valuable cameo at the end. Openers Rohit Sharma and Quinton de Kock got the home team off to a rollicking start and it looked as if they would cross 200. However, Jofra Archer (3/39) took some important wickets to peg the scoring rate back. Shreyas Gopal (0/21) also put pressure on the home team with his tidy bowling.

Jos Buttler was chosen as the Man of the Match.

Singapore Open: Sindhu loses to Okuhara in the semis

Singapore, Apr.14- P.V. Sindhu surrendered without a fight to former world champion Nozomi Okuhara in the women's singles semifinals to draw curtains on India's campaign at the Singapore Open on Saturday.

Sindhu, a Rio Olympics silver medallist, lost 7-21, 11-21 to world no. 3 Okuhara in a lop-sided contest. Sindhu had won the last two times they played each other and overall enjoyed a slight 7-6 advantage in the head-to-head record with Okuhara.

The duo had played an epic final at 2017 World Championship that had clocked 110 minutes and is considered one of the best women's singles match in the history of badminton.

Since that marathon final, Sindhu and Okuhara have played each other six times and the Indian won four times.

But on Saturday, Sindhu looked completely out of sort as

she meekly surrendered the first game following a heap of unforced errors, mainly at the net and sidelines.

While Okuhara showed great control, Sindhu looked low in confidence and lacked the patience to engage her rival in long rallies.

After the change of sides, Sindhu lagged 1-3 but she recovered to made it 4-4. Okuhara then changed the pace of the rallies and gathered six straight points, which included two precise lifts at the backline and also a prompt net return.

The Japanese reached 11-5 at the interval. With Sindhu continuing to commit simple errors, which included missing the lines and finding the net too often, Okuhara dominated the proceedings, gathering points at will.

Okuhara kept the pressure on Sindhu and eventually a round-the-head crosscourt return took her to 18-8.

Four wide shots delayed the inevitable before Okuhara grabbed nine match points with another superb cross-court smash. Another crosscourt return and she sealed her place in the final.

Okuhara will face World No. 1 Chinese Taipei's Tai Tzu Ying, who saved five match points to take the match against Akane Yamaguchi to the decider and then came up trumps. She won 15-21, 24-22, 21-19 in a 57-minute clash with Yamaguchi to enter the finals.

Football: Ashoka FC, Rovers in drawn tie

Mysuru, Apr.14- Ashoka FC and Rovers FC were involved in a goalless 0-0 drawn encounter in the MDFA 'A' Division Football League 2018-19 for the Achutha Rao Memorial Trophy played at the University Grounds here yesterday.

Both the teams earned a point each out of this drawn encounter.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. What does the term ACB stands for?
2. The term 'Cannon' is used in which sport?
3. The 'Davis Cup' is associated with which sport?
4. Which F1 driver has secured the pole position in the Chinese GP on Saturday?
5. Who beat P.V. Sindhu in Women's Singles semi-finals in the ongoing Singapore Open Badminton Championships?

1. Australian Cricket Board 2. Billiards 3. Tennis
4. Valtteri Bottas 5. Japan's Nozomi Okuhara

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Mukhyamantri Chandru bats for C.H. Vijayashankar

KPCC General Secretary Mukhyamantri Chandru started the election campaign in favour of Congress-JD(S) coalition candidate C. H. Vijayashankar by offering floral tributes to the statue of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar at Town Hall on Friday.

Mysuru, Apr.14 (PM&NNN)- KPCC General Secretary Mukhyamantri Chandru launched a tirade against BJP alleging that it is going on deceiving people of the country in the name of building Ram Temple in Ayodhya and trying to polarise the people in the name of democracy.

He was speaking after offering floral tributes to the statue of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar at Town Hall here on Friday where a function had been jointly organised by Karnataka State Backward Classes Federation and AHINDA (Federation of Minorities, Backward Classes and Dalits) Federation to seek support for Mysuru-Kodagu Lok Sabha coalition candidate C.H. Vijayashankar.

The soul of Congress and JD(S) is India and because it was Congress which built the nation after independence and developed the country that BJP today is able to enjoy power. Modi is whitewashing all the Congress schemes, reflecting them as his own schemes and trying to fool the people. The BJP has not been able to fulfil even a single promise it had made earlier. Surgical strike is a political tool for them, he charged.

The NDA which had opposed the implementation of GST during UPA regime has implemented the same when it is in power today.

Demonitisation caused immense hardship to the people. When Aadhar card was introduced, the same NDA shouted hoarse from the rooftops. But as soon as it came to power, it claimed that all these were its achievements, he said.

With the Supreme Court rejecting the plea of the Central Government on Rafale fighter jet deals, the lies of Modi stands exposed, he added.

The BJP candidate from this Constituency must be taught a lesson as he is against the minorities and even says that their vote is not important, he said and added that people must support a coalition candidate like Vijayashankar, who is amiable and courteous to them all the time.

Kannada Development Authority (KDA) Chairman Prof.S. G. Siddaramaiah, Corporator Ramesh (Ramani), Federation State President K.S. Shivaramu, Rural President Zakir Hussain, Karnataka State Nayaka Welfare Federation State President Dyavappa Nayaka and others were present.

Wish Sumalatha well....!

The Congress-JD(S) coalition candidates must win in all 28 LS segments in the State. It is not that I should not campaign for Nikhil Kumaraswamy, the Mandya LS coalition candidate. But I am campaigning in the places where the party has asked me to campaign. All I can say is, I wish well for Independent candidate Sumalatha Ambarish. I am abiding by the party's decision.

—Mukhyamantri Chandru

Citizens must protect country's plurality...

There is an atmosphere of fear today in the country which is threatening the fabric of democracy. Majoritarianism is being reflected everywhere. By voting against the communal BJP, people should protect the plurality of the nation.

—Prof. S.G. Siddaramaiah

Vijayashankar campaigns in K.G. Koppal

Mysuru, Apr.14(PM&DM)- Coalition candidate C.H. Vijayashankar, former MP and former Minister, who is contesting on a Congress ticket from Mysuru-Kodagu LS seat, campaigned at K.G. Koppal in the city on Friday.

Vijayashankar set out his campaign after performing puja at Chamundeshwari temple and held padayatra and road shows in the lanes of K.G. Koppal and surrounding areas seeking votes for him.

Later speaking to press persons, Vijayashankar said that he has been getting good response from the people during the course of his campaign.

Declaring that CLP leader and former CM Siddharamaiah and District Minister G.T. Devegowda will hold a joint campaign in Chamundeshwari Assembly segment on April 14, the Congress candidate alleged that the BJP would renew efforts to destabilise the coalition government once the LS polls are over.

He further said that PM Narendra Modi during his rally in the city on Apr. 9 did not mention the name of BJP candidate Pratap Simha from Mysuru-Kodagu or V. Sreenivasa Prasad of Chamarajanagar, but specially mentioned the name of independent candidate from Mandya LS seat, which shows that Modi is more interested in Mandya than Mysuru.

Congress leaders K. Harish Gowda, Nagaraj and Ambarish, JD(S) leaders Rajanna, Basavaraj and Balu, former Mayor R. Lingappa and others were present.

Cong. leader V.R. Sudarshan hits out at BJP

V.R. Sudarshan

Mysuru, Apr.14(RKB&SR)- Former Chairman of State Legislative Council and Congress leader V.R. Sudarshan criticised the State BJP leaders for seeking votes by raking up communal issues like construction of Ram Mandir, abrogation of Article 370 and other controversial issues during this Lok Sabha polls in order to hide the failures of Narendra Modi led government at the Centre.

Addressing media conference at Patrakarthara Bhavan in city, he alleged that the Union Government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has risked the lives of poor by his unilateral decisions like demonetisation of Rs. 500 and Rs.1,000 currencies and implementation of Goods and Services Tax (GST) without any job creation.

The Prime Minister had rolled out both the schemes unilaterally by sidelining the opinion of experts. Common man was affected a lot by these two decisions across the nation, he said.

Accusing the NDA Government at the Centre for being more interested in closing down public sector-owned Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), he also charged that PM Modi gave the contracts of defence components manufacturing to crony capitalists. The wrong policies of the NDA government have caused lot of hardships and has weakened the Indian economy, he added.

He said that the Union Government has failed in all fronts and most of the pre-poll slogans on overall development have remained on paper. Neither OROP (One Rank, One Pension) for army personnel nor the promise of Rs. 15 lakh cash deposits to each Jan Dhan account have been fulfilled, he said.

The promise that BJP made about bringing back black money, not even a single rupee has been brought back, he said.

City Congress President R. Murthy, former Mayor Prakash, former Corporator Shivanna, Congress leader Narayanaswamy and others were present.

Television actress Yamuna Srinidhi canvasses for BJP in city

Acclaimed dancer and Kannada television serial actress Yamuna Srinidhi of Kamali fame, campaigning for BJP candidate Pratap Simha at Ganesh Nagar in N.R. Constituency on Friday. BJP National Council Member and former KEA Chairman B.P. Manjunath, former Mayor Sandesh Swamy, leaders S. Murali, Srivatsa, Narasimha Murthy and others were present.

PMO compliments city youth
for highlighting problems in Kashi

Mysuru, Apr.14 (SBD&DM)- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has responded to a city youth's plea seeking shifting of a water pipeline that posed a hurdle to pedestrians and vehicular movement at Kashi in Uttar Pradesh.

B.M. Santosh, a volunteer of NaMo Bharath Mysuru team, had submitted a memorandum to Prime Minister Narendra Modi when he arrived in city for addressing poll rally on Apr.9, on the problems in Kashi.

But a surprise was in store for Santosh, when just a day after, on Apr.10, the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) called to compliment him for his concern.

Santosh, along with his few friends, had gone to prayagraj for the Kumbha Mela recently and was travelling to Kashi when he found that a water pipeline along the road median posed a major hurdle to motorists and pedestrians.

He captured a photo of the water pipeline and the road and submitted a memorandum to PM when he arrived at Mysore Airport in Mandakalli on Apr.9.

The PMO, in an instant response to Santosh, said that the PMO was aware of the problem and the problem would be fixed soon, while complimenting him for highlighting the problem.

Pratap Simha campaigns in Chamaraja

Mysuru, Apr.14 (RK&DM)- With just four days to go for the polls, Mysuru-Kodagu LS seat BJP candidate and sitting MP, Pratap Simha, stepped up his campaign by undertaking a brisk canvassing in Chamaraja Assembly segment this morning.

Simha began his poll campaign for the day by performing puja at Chamundeshwari Temple in K.G. Koppal, from where he launched a Road Show.

Simha, after campaigning in the lanes and bylanes of K.G. Koppal, addressed gatherings at Gangotri Layout near Maruti Temple, SJCE College Road, Hunsur Road, Chandrakala Hospital Junction, Kalidasa Road, Mathru Mandali Circle, Paduvarahalli, Narayaswamy Block, Vontikoppal, Akashavani Circle, Yadavagiri, Bamboo Bazar, Tilak Nagar, Mandi Mohalla and other areas coming under Chamaraja segment.

During his campaign, Simha highlighted his achievements as an MP and the programmes, projects, schemes and initiatives launched by PM Modi for the welfare of all sections of the society including farmers, small traders, economically backward sections etc., over the past five years.

Mysuru-Kodagu BJP candidate and sitting MP Pratap Simha along with MLA Nagendra during a road show this morning.

He appealed the people to vote for him and thus re-elect Modi as the PM for the nation's prosperity.

MLA L. Nagendra, State BJP Secretary M. Rajendra, Block BJP President Sriram, leaders Ravi, Shivakumar, Devaraj, Vedavathi, Ramesh, Dhanraj, Hemanandini, Kiran and others accompanied Simha.

JD(S) spending Rs.150 crore in Mandya, claims audio clip

Flags of Congress, JD(S) and BJP flutter around Sumalatha during her election rally in Mandya yesterday.

Mandya, Apr.14 (UNI)- Two audio clips, purported mobile phone conversations between sitting Mandya MP L.R. Shivaramegowda's son Chethan Gowda and P. Ramesh, former JD(S) worker and a contractor, was leaked to the media yesterday where it was claimed that JD(S) would spend Rs.150 crore to lure voters.

Nikhil Kumaraswamy, son of Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, is the coalition candidate who is facing stiff competition from Independent candidate Sumalatha Ambarish.

The increasing popularity of Sumalatha, wife of late actor-politician M.H. Ambarish, has left the JD(S) camp worried.

The clips were recorded on Friday. The conversations are about the party's decision to pay Rs.5 lakh each to around 2,900 booths in the constituency. Chethan, who discusses the party's plans with Ramesh, expresses his astonishment in the clipping over the electioneering tactics of Sumalatha.

The JD(S) has contractors across the constituency and they will distribute the money, Chetan has said, adding, the party will provide mutton and chicken to voters. "For the first time, H.D. Deve Gowda's family is spending money.

Till now, the money was going inside the house. Now funds are coming out," Chetan Gowda reportedly told Ramesh.

Ramesh appreciates Sumalatha's maturity and expresses discontent over Shivaramegowda and JD(S) leaders making disparaging statements on her. Chetan said, "Deve Gowda has instructed my father to do so."

However, hours after the audio clips were leaked, Chethan and Ramesh denied that the voices in the clips were theirs. They said the audio clips were fake. Chetan denied that it was his voice in the conversation and said the audio clippings were released by the political opponents.

Meanwhile, Chief Minister Kumaraswamy has denied the allegations that crores of rupees are being distributed to booths to lure voters.

He said the JD(S) had never indulged in cash politics. He urged the voters not to listen to baseless charges. Independent candidate Sumalatha said, "I have approached the Election Commission to take legal action against the JD(S) for using money power to lure voters."

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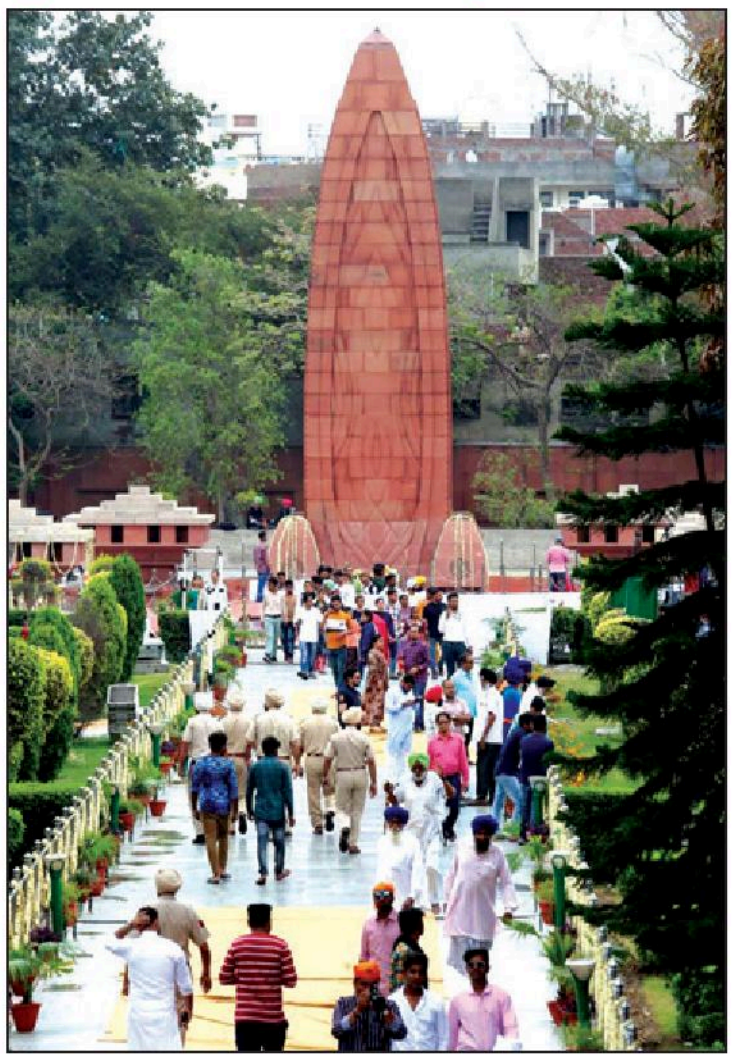
100th anniversary of Jallianwala Bagh massacre

Many pay tributes to martyrs

Amritsar, Apr. 14 - Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the massacre of hundreds of innocent Indians by British forces at Jallianwala Bagh, many dignitaries including President Ram Nath Kovind and the British envoy to India paid their tributes to the martyrs yesterday.



British High Commissioner to India Dominic Asquith, who paid his tribute and laid a wreath at the memorial in Punjab's Amritsar, wrote in the visitors' book, "The events of Jallianwala Bagh 100 years ago, today reflects a shameful act in British-Indian history. We deeply regret what happened and the suffering caused. I am pleased today that the UK and India have and remain committed to developing further a thriving 21st century partnership."

PM Modi tweeted, "Today, when we observe 100 years of the horrific Jallianwala Bagh massacre, India pays tributes to all those martyred on that fateful day. Their valour and sacrifice will never be forgotten. Their memory inspires us to work even harder to build an India they would be proud of."

Congress chief Rahul Gandhi, who was in Amritsar, prayed at the Golden Temple, laid a wreath at the memorial. "The cost of our freedom must never be forgotten," the Congress chief said in a tweet after his visit.

Members of the film industry, including Amitabh Bachchan, Sunny Deol, Bhumi Pednekar and Madhur Bhandarkar, also paid tributes to the martyrs.

A massacre took place in Jallianwala Bagh in Amritsar on Baisakhi in April 1919 when troops of the British Army under the command of Colonel Dyer opened fire on a crowd of people holding a pro-independence peaceful meeting, leaving hundreds of people dead and scores injured.

Renowned ISRO scientist Shivakumar passes away

S.K. Shivakumar

Bengaluru, Apr.14 (UNI)- Renowned Space Scientist and former Indian Space Research Organisation Satellite Centre (ISAC) Director S.K. Shivakumar, who was also Karnataka Science and Technology Council Chairman, passed away here yesterday.

Padma Shree awardee Shivakumar was associated with the ISRO for over two decades and had contributed immensely to the planning and analysis of several Indian satellite missions, including Bhaskara, Apple, IRS and INSAT.

Shivakumar is a native of Mysuru and had also served as the Project Director for India's first indigenous Deep Space Network Antenna at Byalalu, associated with the India's first Moon Mission Chandrayan-I.

The last rites of the Departed scientist were held at the Banashankari crematorium in Bengaluru, the family sources said.

GTD, Siddu join hands in Chamundeshwari

(Continued from page 3)

Maintaining that PM Modi had nothing to boast of during his 5-year rule as PM, Siddharamaiah listed his own achievements and the numerous welfare schemes launched when he was the Chief Minister for 5 years. Taking a dig at MP and BJP candidate Pratap Simha, the CLP leader alleged that Simha indulged only in communal politics.

Accusing the BJP of following Hitler's culture, Siddharamaiah ridiculed BJP MLA Ramdas for calling him for a debate on Modi's achievements and said that he had rejected the invite saying that he was ready for a debate only with Modi and no other BJP leaders.

Referring to Sumalatha Ambarish's contest in Mandya, Siddharamaiah said he considers the fight in Mandya as between the BJP and secular forces. He appealed the workers of both the parties to work for the victory of coalition candidates — Vijayashankar in Mysuru-Kodagu, Nikhil Kumaraswamy in Mandya, Prajwal Revanna in Hassan and R. Dhruvanarayan in Chamarajanagar.

Former Minister C.M. Ibrahim, C.H. Vijayashankar, former ZP President K. Marigowda, leaders Narasimhaswamy, Siddegowda, Narasegowda, Basavanna, Manjula Manasa and others were present. Many workers were seen wearing the shawls of both the Congress-JD(S), as a mark of unity between the two parties.

Case of election symbols

(Continued from page 3)

Like a woman independent candidate from Mysuru-Kodagu constituency has got a gas cylinder, another male candidate has got a sewing machine. These symbols, as candidates say, can be easily identified and they can at least help in garnering some votes, if not ensuring victory.

Going by the modern times, independent candidates have got air-conditioners, diamonds, pressure cooker, television and whistle as symbols.

An independent candidate in Hassan constituency has got a road roller and another candidate has got a dish antenna.

Interestingly, one candidate in Chamarajanagar has got jackfruit that is grown in abundance in the region and another candidate has got a helicopter. Other notable symbols secured by candidates include chapathi roller, helmet, CCTV camera, baby walker and bat.

So, how these symbols are chosen? Election officers told *Star of Mysore* that rules laid down by the Election Commission are strictly followed. Symbols associated with caste, religion and those inciting communal tensions and violence are not allotted. While filing nominations, the independent candidates are asked to select three symbols based on preferential order in a prescribed format.

After screening the symbols, Election Officers allot the symbols and take care of duplication and similarities as two symbols in one constituency cannot be similar or even closely similar to each other.

So what if candidates submit similar symbols and make a demand for allotment of the same? Like it happened in Mandya where three Sumalathas (Sumalatha, Sumalatha Manjegowda and P. Sumalatha) vied for the same election symbols that were submitted by Sumalatha Ambarish who is in a straight contest with Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy's son Nikhil Kumaraswamy.

Sumalatha Ambarish had listed out three symbols in order of preferences — coconut farm, farmer blowing a trumpet and a farmer standing near sugarcane field. Surprisingly, in their move to confuse voters, the other Sumalathas too selected similar symbols and had placed a demand with the Election Commission to allot them similar symbols.

The Commission, however, allotted farmer blowing a trumpet to Sumalatha Ambarish, hand cart for Sumalatha, baby walker to Sumalatha Manjegowda and bat symbol to P. Sumalatha.

Election Officers point out that if two candidates in a particular constituency fight for the same symbol, then the Returning Officer can also use a lottery method to allot symbols to them.

While some symbols like the hand of Congress and lotus for BJP have become iconic and indispensable images of the parties, symbols like the ones listed above appear to be products of sheer ingenuity no matter how lame they may be. Their ultimate aim is to attract the attention of voters.

Four persons go missing from city, Nanjangud

Anjali *Sujahur*

Mysuru, Apr.14 (KS)- In separate cases, one person from city and three others from Nanjangud have been reported missing.

In the first case, an 18-year-old girl has gone missing from Hebbal Police Station limits in city.

The missing girl is **J. Anjali,** a resident of EWS Colony, behind Ganapati Temple in Lakshmikanthanagar. She left the house in the morning of Apr.11 and has since gone missing, according to a complaint lodged by her parents.

Anjali is 5ft. tall, wheatish complexioned, normal built and round faced. Those having any information about the missing girl may contact Hebbal Police Station on Ph: 0821- 2418318 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339, according to a press release.

Nanjangud: Sujahur Rehaman, a resident of R.P. Road, has gone missing since Mar.4.

He left his house on Mar.4 morning and has not returned till date, according to the complaint lodged by his wife Shaistanaz.

B. Shahazad, a resident of Saraswathi Colony, who left his house on Mar.17 morning, saying that he was going to his daughter's house at Chamarajanagar, has since gone missing, according to the complaint lodged by his son Mohammed Akram.

11-year-old **Ankita,** a resident of Srirampura and a sixth standard student, who returned home after school on Mar.23, left her home at about 7 pm and has since gone missing, according to the complaint lodged by her father Yogesh.

Those having any information about the above three persons, may contact Nanjangud Police Station on Ph: 08221-228383, according to a press release.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Kavaludaari	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
Revenge	Lakshmi	2443584	2 Shows
Kavacha	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
Night Out	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Yajamana	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Rugged	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
Panchatantra	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
HINDI			
PM Narendra Modi	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Hellboy	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
World of Fashion	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
ENGLISH			
Hellboy	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Majili	Lakshmi	2443584	2 Shows
MALAYALAM			
Madhura Raja	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
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Dumbo (E-3D)	(S-1)	11.15 am
Watchman (Ta)	(S-1)	1.45 pm
Hellboy (E)	(S-1)	4.30 pm, 7.15 pm, 9.55 pm
Virupaa (K)	(S-2)	11 am
Uriyadi-2 (Ta)	(S-2)	1.30 pm
Bell Bottom (K)	(S-2)	4.10 pm
	(S-4)	10.45 am
The Tashkent Files (H)	(S-2)	6.50 pm
Madhura Raja (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Chitralahari (Te)	(S-3)	11 am, 9.55 pm
Kavaludarri (K)	(S-3)	1.35 pm, 7.00 pm
The Least of These (E)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
Shazam ! (E)	(S-4)	1.20 pm, 9.55 pm
Kavacha (K)	(S-4)	3.55 pm, 6.55 pm

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Kavaludaari (K)	(S-2)	10.10 am, 3.50 pm, 6.50 pm
Uriyadi - 2 (Ta)	(S-3)	2.30 pm
Hellboy (E)	(S-1)	10.00 am, 3.55 pm, 9.40 pm
	(S-4)	7.05 pm
Chitralahari (Te)	(S-2)	1.05 pm; (S-3) 9.55 pm
Pet Sematary (E)	(S-4)	9.50 am, 4.45 pm, 9.45 pm
Shazam (E)	(S-3)	5.00 pm; (S- 2) 9.50 pm
Kavacha (K)	(S-1)	12.40 pm
Madhura Raja (Ma)	(S-1)	6.35 pm
Watchman (Ta)	(S-3)	7.45 pm
Romeo Akbar Walter (H)	(S-4)	1.45 pm
Jai Kesari Nandana (K)	(S-4)	11.00 am
Night Out (K)	(S-3)	12.05 pm

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Kavacha (K)	9.40 am, 1 pm
Uriyadi 2 (Ta)	10.15 am
Hellboy (E)	10.45 am, 4 pm, 7:15 pm, 10 pm
Jai Kesari Nandana (K)	11 am
Majili (Te)	12.45 pm, 6.45 pm
Shazam ! (E)	1.30 pm
Kavaludaari (K)	2.00 pm, 6.45 pm
Pet Sematary (E)	4.20 pm, 10 pm
Chitralahari (Te)	4.25 pm, 9.50 pm
Night Out (K)	5.05 pm
Watchman (Ta)	7.45 pm
Madhura Raja (Ma)	10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (APR.14)

Purna Chethana Public School and Fear Factor: Inauguration of 'Purna Chethana Chinnara Mela' by Rangayana Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, School premises, Manandavadi Road, **3 pm.**

Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP): Monthly public meeting, interaction with Vidyaranya Gargeshwari, an RTI and social activist, about the 74th amendment to the Constitution whose goal is to greatly increase citizen participation in local governance, MGP Office, Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, **4 pm.**

Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust, Srirampet: 129th anniversary celebration of Sri Vikari Nama Samvatsara, discourse on 'Ramayana' by retd. Engineer and Vidwan K. Ramachandra, Temple premises, **5 pm to 6 pm;** Vocal recital by Vid. Bharat Sundar, accompanied by Vid. Vittal Rangan on violin; Maestro Umayalpuram Sivaraman on mridanga; Vid. Guru Prasanna on khanjira, Alamma Choultry, Kunchitagara Sangha, Srirampet, **6.30 pm to 9.30 pm.**

Trayinyas Srividya Foundation: 10th Sri Vasantha Navaratri, Sagraha Makha Navachandiyaga, Foundation premises, No.8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**

Sri Mahajana Sabha and Krishnamurthypuram Sri Rama Mandira: 90th Sri Ramotsava, Bhajans by Siddhi Vinayaka Bhajana Mandali, **6 pm;** Vocal recital by Vidu. M.R. Sudha and troupe, Sri Rama Mandira premises, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 9 pm.**

Sri Shankara Jayanti Sabha, Saraswathipuram: Sri Ramanavami Cultural Programmes — Devotional songs by Srinivas Bhajana Mandali, **5 pm to 5.45 pm;** Veena recital by Vid. R.K. Padmanabha, Samudaya Bhavana, Tengina Topu (Coconut Grove), Saraswathipuram, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Sri Sitarama Temple Trust, Railway Colony: Sri Ramanavami Mahotsava, Bhajans by Temple's Bhajana Mandali, Sri Sitarama Temple premises, **6 pm.**

Vipra Jagruti Vedike and Dhatri Mahila Kendra, Vidyaranyapuram: Felicitation to Dr. Bhavani Shankar who was conferred Hon. Doctorate recently, MLA S.A. Ramdas, Vipra leader H.V. Rajeev, Akhila Karnataka Brahmana Sabha Mysuru Zonal President D.T. Prakash, Corporator M.V. Ramprasad, retd. Professor K.S. Chandrashekar, Halenadu Karnataka's Smartha Brahmana Sangha President S. Vasant special invitees, Avani Sringeri Shankara Mutt, Vidyaranyapuram, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramaseva Mandali Charitable Trust, Mysuru North: 25th Ramanavami Music Festival, Yakshagana 'Vali Vadhe' by Mahaganapathi Art and Culture Foundation, Mudradi, Karkala (Gopala Krishna and Party), Sri Prasanna Parvathi Kalyana Mantapa, V.V. Mohalla, **6.15 pm.**

Sri Rama Seva Mandali, Sri Shankaranarayanaswamy Temple, Chamundipuram: Sri Ramotsava, Yakshagana 'Devi Mahatme' by Karnataka Kala Darshini, Bengaluru, directed by Vid. Srinivas Sasthan, Temple premises, **6.30 pm.**

Kalpa Kshetra, Centre for Heritage and Culture: First anniversary celebrations, Jhankar - A Programme of Kathak and Hindustani Music featuring Papri Bhattacharyya, Shampa Sharma, Mithali Ghosh & Disciples, Deepak Nagannavar and Anandarup Bhattacharya, Kshetra auditorium, 581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, **6.30 pm.**

Ganavisharada Shri Bidaram Krishnappa's Sri Prasanna Seetarama Mandira: 103rd Ramanavami Music Festival, Veena recital by Dr. Suma Sudheendra from Bengaluru, accompanied by Vidu. Aditi Krishnaprakash on violin, Vid. H.L. Shivashankara Swamy on mridanga and Vid. M.R. Manjunath on ghata, Mandira premises, Devaraja Mohalla, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Rama Bhakta Vrinda Seva Trust, Sri Rama Mandira, J.P. Nagar: Sri Ramanavami Mahotsava, Cultural Programme, **6.30 pm;** Dance feature 'Hanuman Chalisa,' Sri Rama Mandira premises, **8.30 pm.**

Sri Rama Temple, Palace North Gate: Sri Ramanavami Cultural Programmes — Devotional songs by Vid. Krishnamurthy and troupe, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

Avadhoota Datta Peetham: Discourse on 'Srimad Bhagavatha Dashama Skanda' by Sri Ganapathy Swamiji, Ashrama, Mysuru-Ooty Road, **7 pm.**

DRAMAS

Ondu Preetiya Kathe

Bangalore Theatre Collective: Staging of play 'Ondu Preetiya Kathe' (based on Vijay Tendulkar's Mitrachi Goshta), directed by Venkatesh Prasad, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **3.30 pm and 7 pm.**

Rangayana: Staging of play 'Chekmate' by Rangayana, directed by Anup Joshi (Bunty), Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (APR.15)

Sri Rama Temple, Palace North Gate: Sri Ramanavami Mahotsava, Abhisheka, Parayana, Archane and other puja rituals, **8 am;** Maha Mrutyunjaya Homa, **9 am;** Cultural Programmes — Bhajans by Shivaranjani Bhajana Mandali, **6 pm;** Devaranama by Sneha Bharati Mahila Samaja, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

Sri Rama Bhakta Vrinda Seva Trust, Sri Rama Mandira, J.P. Nagar: Sri Ramanavami Mahotsava, Sri Rama Tharaka Sahasranama Homa, **8 am;** Purnahuti, Mahamangalarati, Prasada Viniyoga, **12 noon;** Cultural Programme, **6.30 pm;** Sugama Sangeetha by B.R. Srikara of 'Yede Tumbi Haaduvenu' fame and troupe, Chamundipuram, Sri Rama Mandira premises, **8.30 pm.**

NIE Institute of Technology: VTU Inter-Collegiate Mysuru Zone Men Hockey Championships (2019-20), former National Hockey Player V.M. Chathura inaugurates, NIE Group of Institutions Hon. Secretary G.S. Ramachandra presides, SJCE Campus, **9.30 am.**

Sri Mahajana Sabha and Krishnamurthypuram Sri Rama Mandira: 90th Sri Ramotsava, Sri Rama Tharaka Homa by Veda Balaga, **10 am;** Discourse on 'Sundarakanda' by Vid. Raghavendra Achar, Sri Rama Mandira premises, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 9 pm.**

Sri Ramaseva Mandali Charitable Trust, Mysuru North: 25th Ramanavami Music Festival, Sita Sahasranama and Sri Rama Pattabhisheka, **10 am;** Vocal recital by Vid. Maharajapuram Ramachandran, accompanied by Mysore V. Srikanth, Akshay Anand and V.S. Ramesh, Sri Prasanna Parvathi Kalyana Mantapa, V.V. Mohalla, **6.15 pm.**

Chemistry Department, Basudev Somani College, Kuvempunagar: Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's 128th birth anniversary celebrations and valedictory of NSS, Centre for Gandhian Studies Director Prof. M.S. Shekar main speaker, College Principal Dr. M. Mahadevaiah presides, College auditorium, **10.30 am.**

Mass Communication and Journalism Department, University of Mysore (UoM): Buddha, Basavanna, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and Kuvempu's birth anniversary celebrations, UoM Registrar (Administration) Prof. Lingaraja Gandhi inaugurates, Music University VC Prof. Nagesh Bettakote offers floral tributes, UoM Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. Mahadevan, Prof. D. Anand and Prof. B.P. Mahesh Chandra Guru chief guests, Mass Communication and Journalism Department Chairman Prof. C.K. Puttaswamy presides, Hermann Mogling Seminar Hall, **10.30 am.**

Research Students Forum, Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS), University of Mysore (UoM): Paper Presentation and Interaction Programme-6, special lecture by Prof. O.L. Nagabhushanaswamy, Institution's Language Lab, Manasagangothri, **11 am.**

Tulu Shivalli Madhwa Brahma Mahamandali, Mysuru Branch: Sauramana Ugadi celebrations, Sri Satyanarayana Puja, Prasadam Distribution, **4 pm;** Prize Distribution to the winners of Talent Hunt Contest, **5 pm;** Ugadi Fest Cultural Programme, Sri Krishnadhama, Saraswathipuram, **5.30 pm.**

District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru and Vighneshwara Prakashana, Mysuru: Book release — Poet Mahesh Huyilalu's 'Geechu' (a poetry collection) — by littérateur Dr. C.P. Krishna Kumar (CPK), Parishat Mysuru President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna presides, poet Dr. Jayappa Honnali speaks about the book, Excel Publi School Principal K.G. Mathew, Vighneshwara Prakashana Publisher Omkarappa and poet Mahesh Huyilalu chief guests, Maneyangala, Kalamandira premises, **4.30 pm.**

Sri Mahalakshmi Charitable Trust, Mysuru: Pratibha Puraskar for Sri Mahalakshmi Sweets Employees' Children and Students, felicitation to Chamarajanagar Deenabandhu Trust Hon. Secretary Prof. G.S. Jayadeva, Pandavapura Pusthakamane's Ankegowda and progressive natural farmers M. Rechanna & Santosh Rayappa Kittur; Swami Athmajnanandaji graces the occasion, novelist Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa inaugurates, Star of Mysore and Mysooru Mithra Editor-in-Chief K.B. Ganapathy and MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag chief guests; Cultural Programme — Sangeetha Sanje by Hemachandra and troupe, Hasya Sanje by Mimicry Gopi, Madhava Shenoy Kalyana Mantapa, Vishweshwaranagar, near Maharshi Public School, **5 pm.**

Gejjenada Nritya Shale, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage: Guruvandana Programme, senior writer Dr. Pradeep Kumar Hebri presides, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna chief guest, Guruvandana to Vidu. Dr. P.M. Chetana Radhakrishna (Director, Gurudeva Lalithakala Academy, Mandya and Mysuru), dance programme by students of Gejjenada Nritya Shale, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat Bhavan, No.1, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **5 pm.**

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Sri Sitarama Temple Trust, Railway Colony: Sri Ramanavami Mahotsava, Devaranama by Sanjeevini Bhajana Mandali, Sri Sitarama Temple premises, **6 pm.**

Rangataranga, Mysuru: Staging of journalist Ganesh Amingad's play 'Mulugade,' thinker Prof. Kalegowda Nagawara inaugurates, theatre artiste Rajashekar Kadamba, social worker K. Raghuram, Hotel Owners Association Vice-President Ravi Shastri, journalist Amshi Prasannakumar and Kannada Pusthaka Pradhikara stall's Ningaraju Chittannanavar chief guests, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Rama Seva Mandali, Sri Shankaranarayanaswamy Temple, Chamundipuram: Sri Ramotsava, Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Smriti Vishwanath, Bengaluru (disciple of Vidu. Nirupama Rajendra and Vid. Rajendra, Bengaluru), Temple premises, **6.30 pm.**

Avadhoota Datta Peetham: Discourse on 'Srimad Bhagavatha Dashama Skanda' by Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, Ganapathy Ashrama premises, Mysuru-Ooty Road, **7 pm to 9 pm.**

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